THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir, The procedure for lodgement of instruments of tranfer of shares/debentures has been simplified in the manner given tbelow :—

(i) In respect of bulk transfers, where there is a single transferee, the transferee, instead of signing each transfer deed, may fill up and sign a covering transfer deed in the existing prescribed format complete in all respects enclosing there with all the related transfer deeds in the prescribed format duly executed by transferers ;

(ii) The covering transfer deed shall contain, by way of an Annexure, details of distinctive numbers and corresponding certificate numbers of shares/debentures involved in transfer;

(iii) The part relating to 'transferee's particulars in the individual transfer deeds (enclosed with the covering transfer deed) need not be signed by the transferee and may be merely stamped with the name and address of the transferee ;

(iv) Requisite amount of stamps may be affixed on the covering transfer deed or paid in a manner as otherwise prescribed by the Government.

(c) Government currently has no policy proposals to furher invite FIIs to invest in India.

Thorough review of Electroral Reforms

1440. SHRI AHMED MOHAMEDBHAI PATEL : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) Whether the Election Commis sion has issued a number of orders during the last 3-4 months in respect of elections to Rajya Sabha and further elections to be held in future ;

(b) Whether, in the month of January, 1994, Election Commission issued orders of a total and absolute ban on the use of official vehicle for campaigning, electioneering and election-related travel and issued special instructions to curve the misuse of free travel passes by air and rail during election time in the interest of free and fair election ;

(c) Whether Government are now considering to have a thorough review and introduce a legislation on the electoral reforms :

(d) if so whether the Election Commission has also issued instructons that no election shall take place where identity cards have not been issued to each and every eligible voter in the States ;

(e) if so, by when the amendments to the election law are likely to be introduced; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS : (SHRI H. BHARDWAJ) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Election Commission had issued instructions regarding ban on use of official vehicle as also relating to ban on free travel passes for campaigning etc. on 31-12-1993.

(c) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(e) and (f) The Government proposes to finalise a comprehensive package on Electoral Reforms after consultation with various political parties. No final decision has yet been taken on these proposals.

De-limitation Commission

1441. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2041 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 16th December, 1993 and state :

(a) Whether the proposal to establish a De-limitation Commission has been shelved :

(b) if so, the reasons therefore ; and

(c) the steps being taken to address the problems of vast differences in size of different constituencies ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Constitution (seventy-first Amendment) Bill, 1990 which has been passed by the Rajya Sabha and is pending consideration of the Lok Sabha provides for delimitation of constituencies on the basis of 1991 census without affecting the total number of seats on allocated to various States on the basis of 1971 census. Further action regarding delimitation of constituencies can be taken only after the said Bill be comes an Act.